

1. Name House (part of Norbeck historic district)
2. Planning Area/Site Number 23/113
3. MNCPPC Atlas Reference
Map 16 F-8
4. Address 4105 Muncaster Mill Road, Norbeck

5. Classification Summary

Category Building
Ownership Private
Public Acquisition --
Status Unoccupied
Accessible No
Present use Unoccupied residence
Previous Survey Recording M-NCPPC 1976 Federal State County Local

Part of National Register Nomination- Norbeck Historic District, October 1977

6. Date 1880-1900
7. Original Owner Unknown

8. Apparent Condition

- a. Deteriorated
- b. Altered
- c. Original Site

Description Norbeck is a typical 19th century agrarian settlement; its simple dwellings, shop, and church are traditional, domestic, and vernacular. This is a simple, two-story, three bay frame farmhouse. It has an L-plan; two rooms face the street and a third is located at the rear. It is built on stone foundations which have more recently been reinforced with concrete. The exterior walls have been covered with grey-green asbestos shingles. There is an enclosed screen porch on the front elevation of the house. The gable roof is covered by corrugated tin. There are simple boxed eaves at the gable ends, which have no windows. The windows are 6-over-6 double hung.

10. Significance Inside, there are two stove flues, and a stairway to give access to the second floor. The crossroads community of Norbeck was established during the 1860s / floor. agricultural boom in Montgomery County. The increase in prosperity and population generated by the boom provided the need and economic base for a local commercial center such as Norbeck. This local farm community grew up at the junction of the Baltimore Road and the Washington-Brookeville Turnpike, both major thoroughfares by the early 19th century. The black Mount Pleasant settlement at Norbeck was founded by freed slaves of A.B. Wadsworth; it oriented around the M.E. Church and the school. The white settlement oriented around the post office, White's general store, and a blacksmith shop. Together they comprised the community known as Norbeck. The community has changed in emphasis and in appearance since 1879. White's store has evolved from a country store into one selling hardware and machinery and the gaps between old Mt. Pleasant houses have been filled in with newer ones. The community has matured while remaining a distinct entity reflecting the rapidly disappearing world of the Montgomery County farming countryside.

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14. Designation Approval

